claim, certain more details are required from the company.

Details of Insecticides

1185. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2054 given in the Rajya Sabha on 12th December, 1991 and state ;

(a) what are the names and details of Insecticides for which safe formulation technology, process technical know how have been developed so far by the Institute of Pesticides Formulation Technology, Gurgaon (Haryana);

(b) what are the names and criteria laid down by the Institute for commercialisation of the formulation technologies, product-wise; and

(c) what are the details of the most efficient formulation equipments/machinery identified by the Institute for Pesticide Formulations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The Institute of Pesticide Formulation Technology have informed that the names of the insecticides for which safe formulation technology and process technical know how have been developed by them are Carboxin a fungicide, Isoproturon a herbicide and Bacillus Spharicus and Bacillus Thringiensis biocides. The formulations are water based flowable for carboxin and Isoproturon and a self spreading oil formulation for the biocides.

(b) As per the information received from the Institute, a Technical Committee constituted by the Governing Body of the Institute is presently in the process of finalisation of the norms and criteria for the commercialisation of the formulation technologies.

(c) The Institute also informed that the equipments required for most efficient and environment friendly formulations identified are water dispersible granulator and dynomill, the former is for the manufacture of water dispersible granules and the latter for the manufacture of flowable formulations.

Gas cracker project in Assam

@1186. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 597 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th November, 1991 and state what was the initial estimated cost of the Gas Cracker Project being set up in Assam and what is its present cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): The initial estimated cost of the gas cracker project as indicated in the Letter of Intent dated 25-1-1991 granted to Assam State Industrial Development Corporation was Rs. 1509 crores. The firm's present cost of the project will be known only after the preparation of detailed feasibility report by the project authorities. However, the approximate cost of a gas based cracker complex today would be in the range of Rs. 3500 crores or so.

Gas cracker project

@@1187. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 597 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th November, 1991 and state by when the work on setting up of gas cracker project in Assam is likely to start ?

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